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## **BIGGERT ANNOUNCES GRANT TO DU PAGE COUNTY FOR THE FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY PROGRAM**

***Funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development***

Clarendon Hills, Illinois – U.S. Representative Judy Biggert (R-IL13) announced today that the DuPage County Housing Authority will receive \$101,554 in grants from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The money will be transferred to the DuPage County Human Resources Department's Human Services Division to hire a new coordinator for the Family Self-Sufficiency Program.

The Family Self-Sufficiency Program is a cooperative program with the DuPage County Housing Authority, Metropolitan Family Services and two Divisions of the Human Resources Department - the Human Services Division and the Job Training Division.

The Program is designed to help empower people to take control of their lives by becoming independent, productive members of their communities. The program provides families opportunities to acquire or improve education, job and living skills. Services include intensive case management, individual and family counseling, career counseling and financial assistance for training and education.

"During these uncertain times, we should not forget those families that are trying to make a better life for themselves," said Biggert. "This grant will allow DuPage County to hire an additional coordinator to assist these families in achieving independence and self-sufficiency. I applaud the positive work that the Human Resources Department is doing with the Family Self-Sufficiency Program."

"We're extremely pleased that we are able to receive this funding, because it will allow us to reach out and serve an additional 40 clients in DuPage County," said Jack Tenison, Director of the DuPage County Human Resources Department.

DuPage County Board Chairman Bob Schillerstrom said, "We have a great working relationship with Congresswoman Biggert. This grant is just another example of how we can work together to help the people of DuPage County that need it the most."

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